

Detailed Action

Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's arguments filed on 10/14/2008 regarding claims 1-48 have been fully considered. Claims 26, 31-42 have been canceled and claim 49 has been newly added. Claims 1-25, 27-30, 43-49 are currently pending.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with applicant's representative, Mr. Ross D. Snyder, on 2/19/2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

26. (Canceled)

49. (New) The method of claim 28 wherein said step of sending comprises sending a SNMP request.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kevin Mew whose telephone number is 571-272-3141. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00 am - 5:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chi Pham can be reached on 571-272-3179. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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